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SUBJECT: LUKANOV VISIT

REF: SOFIA' S 454

WARSAW FOR ARMITAGE

1. BULGARIAN AMBASSADOR ZDRAVCHEV CALLED AT HIS OWN
REQUEST ON EUR/ EE DIRECTOR BAKER APRIL 24 TO DISCUSS
POSTPONEMENT OF LUKANOV VISIT.

2. AFTER HEARING BAKER' S EXPLANATION OF REASON FOR
POSTPONEMENT, ZDRAVCHEV, WITH HIS USUAL CORDIAL
DEMEANOR, SAID THAT BULGARIA WAS STILL INTERESTED
IN VISIT AND THAT HE WOULD BE READY AT ANY TIME TO
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DISCUSS PLANS FOR RESCHEDULING IT. IN BROADER TERMS, HE ASSERTED THAT POSTPONEMENT HAD NOT AFFECTED GOB'S DESIRE TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH US. HE NOTED, IN PARTICULAR, THAT THERE WOULD BE NO CHANGE IN BULGARIA'S READINESS TO CONTINUE TO WORK ON A CONSULAR CONVENTION.

3. IN RESPONSE, BAKER EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THERE WOULD BE POSITIVE DEVELOPMENTS IN A WIDE RANGE OF OUR RELATIONS, E. G., PROGRESS ON THE CONSULAR CONVENTION. WITH SUCH PROGRESS, WE WOULD BE

PREPARED IN EARLY MAY TO CONSIDER QUESTION OF RESCHEDULING LUKANOV VISIT.

4. BAKER NOTED THAT WE DID NOT INTEND TO MAKE PUBLIC REASON FOR POSTPONEMENT AND THAT IF ASKED BY NEWSMEN, WE WOULD SAY THAT VISIT HAD BEEN DEFERRED UNTIL MORE CONVENIENT TIME. ROGERS

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